

## **UTILITY BOARD/COMMON COUNCIL**

**Tuesday, July 19, 2011**

**7:00 P.M.**

The Common Council and Utility Board of the City of Huntingburg met in joint session at its regularly scheduled meeting time on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at the hour of 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of the Huntingburg City Hall at 508 E. Fourth Street, Huntingburg, Indiana. Members Boeglin, Sparrow, Kays, and Summers were present. Also present were Mayor Belcher and City Attorney Schneider. Member Majors was absent.

Mayor Belcher called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Kays, seconded by Summers and carried to approve the minutes of the July 7, 2011 meeting.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Boeglin and carried to approve the claims as presented.

Emily Eckert was present and was recognized as the "Mayor for a Day Essay Contest" winner. Emily read her essay to the Council and was presented a certificate by the Mayor.

The Mayor informed the Council that he laid on the desk in front of them a packet of information related to a proposed veteran's memorial he would like to build that he just received today. He introduced Diane and Robert Blume. Diane Blume is the VFW Commander in Huntingburg. He asked Diane to come to the microphone to help him explain what they are trying to do here.

Diane Blume indicated that due to expense we are going to go with etching rather than color on granite. She indicated that initially she wanted to list all veterans in the County but the cost would exceed \$50,000 to \$60,000 which she thought was prohibitive. She noted that the City has a lot of veterans but the monument would be for all veterans and she thought it would provide a really nice touch to our Event Center. She indicated that she had the price down to \$12,483.50 for everything, monument stone, 2 benches, flag poles and flags.

Mayor Belcher indicated that the memorial would be 6 feet high, 4 feet wide, made of black granite. He indicated that he would like to put them sort of out by the Event Center to draw to the Event Center. He indicated that the City owns lots by the Event Center. He indicated that it may boost people looking to build out there, wanting to build and be around the monument and that the City needs to start filling spaces out there.

He indicated that there would be additional costs such as lights to install for the flag poles, concrete area after the monument is set up, sidewalk to the monument and curb cut. He would like to use \$25,000 of EDIT funds for this project. He would like the Council's permission to go ahead and order the stone because it takes three months to get in.

A motion was made by Boeglin, seconded by Sparrow and carried to work toward the approval of this project and approve ordering the stone.

This was the date, time and place for the public hearing on the proposed federally funded CDBG project. Mike Cummings of Indiana 15 Regional Planning Commission was present to hold a public hearing on the proposed federally funded CDBG project. The total amount of CDBG funds to be requested is \$600,000. The City proposes to pay \$83,500 from Water Utility funds. The total cost of the project is estimated to be \$683,500. Cummings summarized the project and requirements.

The purpose of this project is to replace the sections of ductile iron pipe on the Phase I connection to Patoka Lake Regional Water & Sewer District's line connected to the City's lines where corrosion has occurred over the years. In addition, a section of pipe will be replaced which now has 10' of depth of cover as a result of the County raising their road elevation which increased the depth of the cover of the pipe.

The hearing was then opened up for public comment. The Mayor asked if anyone had any comment on the project. No one spoke to the issue. The Mayor closed the hearing.

Utilities Superintendent Traylor presented his monthly report.

Traylor presented a summary of charges from ITRON for meter reading software and hardware support. He noted that he would like to pay the agreement yearly instead of quarterly as is currently done. The amount of the agreement is \$3,688.25 per year.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Boeglin and carried to approve the agreement between the City and ITRON for one year in the amount of \$3,688.25.

Traylor present quotes for the purchase and installation of a natural gas powered Generac generator. He noted the cost would be split equally between the Electric, Water and Gas Utilities. The quotes were:

Fischer Electric	\$37,970.00
Weyer Electric	\$38,757.00

A motion was made by Boeglin, seconded by Summers and carried to approve the purchase of the Generac generator as noted above for the low quote of \$37,970.00 from Fischer Electric.

Attorney Schneider presented and summarized a proposed interlocal mutual aid agreement for the natural gas utility between the City of Huntingburg and the City of Jasper.

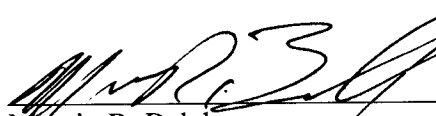
A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Boeglin and carried to approve the Interlocal Mutual Aid Agreement for Natural Gas Utilities between the City of Huntingburg and the City of Jasper as presented.

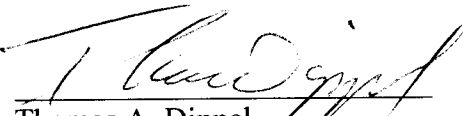
Attorney Schneider presented two proposed agreements between the City of Huntingburg Gas Utility and Indiana Department of Transportation. He noted the Highway Utility agreement was similar to one just completed in Ireland except this one is to improve the intersection of State Road 56 at County Road 350 W. The State will reimburse the City for expenses associated with the moving of the City's gas lines. The amount is for \$99,486.00. The other agreement is a Subordination agreement for this project only.

A motion was made by Summers, seconded by Kays and carried to approve the Indiana Department of Transportation Highway Utility Agreement and the Subordination agreement referred to above.

Traylor continued his monthly report.

There being no further business before the Council, a motion was made by Boeglin, seconded by Summers and carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:10 o'clock P.M.

  
Marvin R. Belcher  
Mayor

  
Thomas A. Dippel  
Clerk-Treasurer